LOW BIOGRAPHIES

ELECTION AND DEATH: sold 546 acres in Somerset County. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on May 15, 1767, in Somerset County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: included at least 4 slaves and a house on Chappel Street, White Haven, Somerset (now Wicomico) County, but size of entire estate is unknown. LAND: at least 3,939 acres in Somerset County and 240 acres in Saint Mary's County, plus lot 20 in Princess Anne Town, a house and lot in White Haven, and an unknown amount of land on Riske Hogan Island in the Kennebec River, New England.

LOWES, HENRY (?-ca. 1791). BORN: probably in Somerset County; of age by 1759. NATIVE: second generation. RESIDED: Wicomico Hundred, Somerset County; called "of Chatham" in 1785. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Henry Lowes (?-1767), MOTHER: Esther Waters, BROTHER: Tubman Lowes (?-ca. 1761). MARRIED on July 31, 1759, Esther (1742-?), daughter of Robert Dashiell (1697-1744/45) of Quantico Creek, Somerset County, and wife Esther Handy (ca. 1720-1748). Esther was the stepdaughter of Day Scott (?-1757). She was the niece of John Handy (ca. 1724-1756). Her stepbrother was George Day Scott (1736/ 37-1796). Her sister was Jane Dashiell (?-1745). CHILDREN. SON: Tubman Lowes (1764-ca. 1815). DAUGHTERS: Dorothy (1764-1772), Tubman's twin; Elizabeth, who died in infancy, PRIVATE CA-REER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIA-TION: Anglican, Stepney Parish, Somerset County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., by 1764. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant, by 1765. PUB-LIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: 9th Convention, Somerset County, 1776 (Manufactories); Lower House, Somerset County, 1777 (did not attend; election voided on March 5, 1777, because at the time of the election thirty men "armed with firearms affixed with sticks and spears" had intimidated the voters). LOCAL OFFICES: visitor, Eden School, Somerset County, 1771; chairman. Committee of Observation, Somerset County, 1776. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROP-ERTY: owned schooner John Parker, 1778; assessed value £2,583.15.0, including 66 slaves and 163 oz. plate, 1783; owned sloop, 1785. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: ca. 5,607 acres in Somerset and Worcester counties (789 acres by purchase, ca. 949 acres by patent, ca. 4,124 acres inherited from father, 362 acres through marriage), 1774. sig-NIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELEC-TION AND DEATH: owned 1,907 acres in Somerset County, 1783; in 1785 confirmed ownership of land on the Kennebec River in New England, which had been deeded to his father in 1741. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: ca. 1791, probably in Somerset County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: size of estate unknown. LAND: possibly 1,765 acres in Somerset County as charged to his wife and son in 1793; unknown quantity of land on the Kennebec River in New England.

LOWES, TUBMAN (1764-1815), BORN: on September 24, 1764, at "Quantico," Stepney Parish, Somerset County. NATIVE: third generation. RE-SIDED: in Wicomico Hundred, Somerset County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Henry Lowes (?ca. 1791). MOTHER: Esther Dashiell (1742-?). SISTERS: Dorothy (1764-1772); Elizabeth. MAR-RIED first, on April 9, 1789, Elizabeth Birkhead (Burckett, Birkheat) (1770-1799), daughter of Dr. Thomas Bond (?-ca. 1772) of Calvert County and wife Elizabeth Waters. Her brother was Benson (1767-ca. 1789). Her sisters were Mary Holdsworth Bond (?-by 1789); Dorothy Watters Bond (1769-?), who married James Robertson of Somerset County. MARRIED second, on March 11, 1801. Anne, daughter of Joshua Hitch of Somerset County and wife Mary. CHILDREN. SONS: Tubman (1791-?); Benson Bond (1793-1818), who married in 1811 Elizabeth D. Allen, DAUGHTERS: Esther Tubman (1790-?), who married in 1816 Capt. Benjamin Grav of Calvert County; Elizabeth (1794-by 1824), who married George A. Dashiell; Dorothy (1797-1797); Mary Henry (1799-1799); and Mary Anne (1803-?). PRIVATE CA-REER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIA-TION: Anglican, Stepney Parish, Somerset County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq., by 1798. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably planter. PUB-LIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Somerset County, 1789, 1791-1792, 1800, 1801. LOCAL OFFICES: Stepney Parish Vestry, Somerset County, 1796-1798; justice, Somerset County, 1796-1815; appointed commissioner by the General Assembly to sell lots belonging to Stepney Parish, Somerset County, 1798, 1801, 1802, 1804; register, Stepney Parish, Somerset County, 1811-1812. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, Somerset County Militia, 1794-1799. WEALTH DURING LIFE-TIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value, £1,030.0.0, including 38 slaves and 128 oz. plate, 1793; 46 slaves, 1800; 47 slaves, 1810. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: no evidence of land ownership. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: owned 1,752 acres in Somerset County by 1798 (probably all inherited from